COMMENTS

Reconsideration and allowance in view of the following amendments and the following

remarks are respectfully requested.

Claim 1 is rejected under 35 U.S.C 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kwak (U.S. Pat.

No. 6,768,361) in view of Keeth (U.S. Pat. No. 6,316,979).

Applicant has amended claim 1 to overcome the rejection without adding new subject

matter. That is, claim 1 is amended by adding allowable claim 2. The remaining claims, as

amended, depend directly or indirectly from Claim 1.

Accordingly, Applicant believes that all claims are now patentable over the cited

references issued by the Examiner.

In view of the foregoing, it is submitted that all outstanding requirements have been

addressed, and the claims pending for examination, namely claims 1 and 3-14 are now in

condition for allowance, which early action is requested.

If there are any fees due in connection with the filing of this response, please charge

those fees to our Deposit Account No. 02-2666. If a telephone interview would expedite the

prosecution of this Application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (310) 207-

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